

Maj. C. P. Traver, Arsenal Adjutant, Given Discharge

Maj. John Wray to Take Over Duties At Post Here

With the discharge from the army today of newly promoted Maj. Cory P. Travers, it was announced that his duties as public relations officer, property officer, certifying office and adjutant at the Joliet arsenal are to be assumed by Maj. John W. Wray.

Transferred to the Joliet Arsenal from the Sangamon Ordnance plant at Illinois, Ill., Maj. Wray is awaiting permanent assignment to the local installation, it was reported by Col. Carroll Hudson, commanding officer.

MAJ. TRAVER was assigned to the office of field director of ammunition plants at the Joliet Arsenal last February and was given the duties of executive officer of the arsenal, then commanded by Col. Byron Rife.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Traver, of DeWitt, Ia., he was born May 8, 1911, in Clinton, Ia., and received most of his education there. He had ROTC training at Iowa State college and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the field artillery June 3.

On June 14, 1942, he was called to active duty, reporting to Fort Des Moines, Ia., with the field artillery before being transferred to the ordnance department in Washington, D. C.

In December, 1943, he was sent to the Watertown arsenal, Watertown, Mass., where he was industrial spare parts procurement officer with the anti-aircraft and seacoast carriage suboffice. In April, 1944, this office was transferred to Frankfort arsenal, Philadelphia, Pa., and he was in charge of all industrial procurement and expediting of fire control and anti-aircraft spare parts. An additional duty there for Maj. Traver was to act as special service officer for the commanding general.

HE WAS transferred to the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., October, 1945, and assigned to the ordnance general staff and command school.

Promoted to first lieutenant in October, 1942, and to captain in April, 1944, he was awarded a letter of commendation for outstanding performance of duties by the commanding general of the Aleutian islands in January, 1943, while the army was defend-



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ing Kiska, Dutch Harbor and Attu. Other commendations came from Gen. Gordon Wells, chief of the artillery division industrial service and from Col. J. B. Rose, commanding officer at Frankfort arsenal.

Maj. Traver attended Iowa State college at Ames, Ia., from 1932 to 1936, studying economics and personnel and was active in football and a member of the college polo team. He was business manager of the college newspaper.

AFTER HIS schooling he was employed by the Chevrolet motor division of General Motors corporation in the sales department and was stationed in Detroit, Mich.; Chicago, and Davenport, Ia., zone offices as zone car distributor from August, 1936, until April 1939, and as district manager from April, 1939, until June, 1942.

A member of Sigma Nu, he has two brothers, both veterans of World War II. Warren, who resides in Clinton, Ia., was with the Seabees in the Southwest Pacific for 2½ years and received the Purple Heart and Navy Commendation ribbon, while Stewart, of DeWitt, served with the coast guard on convoy duty in the Mediterranean area.